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AMENDMENT A

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PATENT TRADEMARY OFFICE

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed March 19, 2003.

An automatic three month extension of time to respond, up to and including September 19, 2003, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Amendment.